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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Yukio YAMAJI et al.

Application No. 10/528,228

Filed: March 18, 2005

For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR
FRACTIONATING GYPSUM SLURRY
AND METHOD OF PRODUCING
GYPSUM BOARD

Confirmation No.: 6232

TC/Art Unit: 1733

Examiner: Steven Maki

Atty Docket: P70312US0

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 13, 2008 (PTO Prosecution File Wrapper Paper No./Mail Date 20080609) and the Advisory Action dated October 2, 2008, Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks.

A request for continued examination of this application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 accompanies this Response, and a credit card payment form in the amount of \$405.00 / \$810.00 is attached to cover the fee for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e). *In the event that a request for continued examination does not accompany this Response, then continued examination is hereby requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.* Also, in the event that extensions of time are necessary, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR § 1.136(a). It is not believed that any further fees are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, any fees required for consideration of this paper and any papers associated with it (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 06-1358.

Kindly enter the following Amendment:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.